

DATE - 14. 05.2015

TIME - 1. 30 pm - 3.30 pm

ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS. WHEREVER NECESSARY ILLUSTRATE ANSWERS WITH CLEARLY LABELED DIAGRAMS.

- 1) Biological diversity has important economic, technological and social implications for the nation. Discuss in brief, FIVE (5) implications in valuing the biodiversity resources of a nation.
- 2) Due to rapid development among countries in Southeast Asia, biodiversity is facing many serious threats. List and explain briefly FIVE (5) major threats which lead to the loss and decline of biodiversity.
- 3) One of the important steps towards maintaining biodiversity resources by Nations as a global partner is to sign international conventions.
- a) State briefly about the Convention on Biological Diversity ratified in 1994.
 - b) State briefly the goal of the Convention on Biological Diversity.
 - c) State THREE (3) challenges faced in implementing the Convention on Biological Diversity.
- 5) Conservation is an effort promoted to sustain biodiversity. Explain briefly what is meant by exsitu and in-situ conservation. Provide TWO (2) examples for each conservation method and TWO (2) species involved.
- 5. Write an account on planning and management of a Protected Area based on the Udawalawa National Park. .
- 6. Write short notes on any TWO (2) of the following
 - i. IUCN categories of threatened species
 - ii. Extinction possibility of small populations
 - iii. Ecosystem Diversity

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